



**PATENT**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

**In re Application of:**

**Inventor:** Alexander STEINKOGLER  
et al.

**Application No.:** 09/718,473

**Confirmation No:** 3550

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**Attorney No.:** STEI3004/JEK/JJC

**Customer No.:** 23364

**Examiner:** Kimberly D. NGUYEN

**Art Unit:** 2876

**For:** METHOD FOR PROCESSING SHEET MATERIAL

**AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL REJECTION**

**MAIL STOP RCE**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

This amendment is in response to the Office Action of December 2, 2003. A Request for Continued Examination and an appropriate Petition for a One-Month Extension of Time are included herewith. Entry of the following amendments is respectfully requested.

Please amend the application in accordance with the following particulars.

**In the Claims**

Claims 1 and 7 are presented as being amended, and claims 14 and 15 are new claims as shown in the "List of Current Claims."